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TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

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SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation Act, 2008, Title IV— Emergency Unemployment Compensation

1. Purpose. To provide states with instructions for implementing and operating the Emergency Unemployment Compensation, 2008 (EUC08) program, including fiscal and reporting instructions.
2. References. Supplemental Appropriation Act, 2008, Title IV—Emergency Unemployment Compensation, Public Law 110-252, signed by the President on June 30, 2008; the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.); the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (26 U.S.C. 3301 et seq.); Section 205 of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended; Section 233 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended; 20 CFR Parts 603, 615, 616, and 650; Unemployment Insurance Program Letter (UIPL) 29-05; UIPL 12-87; UIPL 12-87, Change 1; and ET Handbooks 395, 401 and 410.
3. Summary. The EUC08 program provides up to 13 weeks of 100 percent federally-financed compensation to eligible individuals in all states.

EUC08 is payable to individuals who (1) have exhausted all rights to regular compensation with respect to a benefit year that ended on or after May 1, 2007; and (2) have no rights to regular compensation or extended benefits (EB); and (3) are not receiving compensation under the unemployment compensation law of Canada. However, the Governor of a state may elect to pay EUC08 prior to the payment of EB. To qualify for EUC, individuals must have had employment of 20 weeks of work, or the equivalent in wages, in their base periods. Continuing eligibility is determined under the requirements of the state law.

EUC08 is administered through voluntary agreements between states and the U.S. Department of Labor (the Department). EUC08 is payable in a state the week following the week in which an agreement is signed. In most states, where the week of unemployment ends on Saturday, the first week for which EUC08 may be paid is the week ending July 12, 2008. In these states, the last week for purposes of an initial determination of EUC08 eligibility is the week ending March 28, 2009. However, a claimant who has amounts remaining in his/her EUC08 account as of this week ending date may, if otherwise eligible, collect EUC08 through the week ending June 27, 2009.

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States are required to submit a separate financial status report (ETA 9130) for administrative grants and costs associated with the EUC08 program.

4. Guidance. This document furnishes information about the EUC08 program and provides the Department's interpretation of Title IV of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008. It also sets forth the operating instructions to guide states in implementing and administering the EUC08 program.

The instructions in this document are issued to states as guidance provided by the Department in its role as the principal in the EUC08 program. As agents of the Department in administering the EUC08 program, states must follow the instructions as provided in the attached operating instructions.

5. Action. Administrators are to provide this information and instructions to the appropriate staff.
6. Inquiries. Direct questions to the appropriate Regional Office.
7. Attachments.

Attachment A—Implementing and Operating Instructions for EUC08

Attachment B—General Provisions for Administering EUC08

Attachment C—Title IV—Emergency Unemployment Compensation